PATENT APPLICATION

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For:

TEST PIECE AND QUANTITATIVE METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AN

ORGANISM-ORIENTED SUBSTANCE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2000, making a response to the Office Action due on or before January 5, 2001. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for Extension of Time for a three-month extension making the due date for response April 5, 2001.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-24 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

25. A measuring apparatus for measuring a value detected from a second label based on a value detected from a first label comprising: